

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: :

Shanler et al. : Confirmation No.: 4999

Serial No. 10/763,807 : Group Art Unit: 1617

Filed: January 22, 2004 : Examiner: Carter, Kendra D.

For: METHOD AND THERAPEUTIC/COSMETIC TOPICAL COMPOSITIONS
FOR THE TREATMENT OF ROSACEA AND SKIN ERYTHEMA USING A1-
ADRENORECEPTOR AGONISTS

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Madam:

This is a Response to the Final Office Action dated March 17, 2009 in the above-identified application submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). The Final Office Action set forth a three-month shortened statutory period for reply. By virtue of payment of extension of time fees in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136 a(3) and RCE filing fee, this response is timely filed and is fully responsive to the Final Office Action.

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